

FOOD PURCHASE REPORT

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OFFER TO BUY: Canned, Frozen, and Fresh Vegetables and Dried Fruit and Nuts

The Department of Agriculture announced it is planning to purchase canned, frozen, and fresh vegetables and dried fruit and nuts for donation to the Child Nutrition Programs in fiscal year 2007, according to Robert C. Keeney, Deputy Administrator, Fruit and Vegetable Programs, Agricultural Marketing Service.

The anticipated purchases will be made from offers that must be submitted on a delivered-to-destination price basis. Deliveries will be required during the period of September 1, 2007 through November 15, 2007.

Products, container sizes, and approximate quantities sought are as follows:

PRODUCT	CONTAINER SIZE	U.S. GRADE	NO. CASES
Canned Carrots	6/#10	A	76,608
Frozen Carrots	30 lb.	A	72,600
Canned Sweet Potatoes	6/#10	A	41,952
Canned Sweet Potatoes, Mashed	6/#10	B	12,768
Frozen Sweet Potatoes	6/5 lb.	A	3,960
Frozen Sweet Potatoes, Mashed	6/5 lb.	A	6,600
Fresh Sweet Potatoes	40 lb.	U.S. No 1	2,000
Sweet Potatoes, for Processing	Bulk	U.S. No 1	520,000
Raisins	30 lb.	B	6,900
Raisins	24/15 oz.	B	5,184
Raisins	144/1.33 oz.	B	97,812
Dehy Potatoes, for Processing	Bulk	Per USDA	6,120,000
Frozen Potatoes, for Processing	Bulk	Per USDA	108,800,000
Almonds, Natural Whole Shelled	25 lb.	U.S. No. 1	2,992
Almonds, Roasted Whole Shelled	12/2 lb.	U.S. No. 1	7,700
Almonds, Roasted Whole Shelled	12/2 lb.	U.S. No. 1	1,540

PLEASE NOTE: This announcement does not commit USDA to purchase specific quantities or particular products. The quantities described in this FOOD PURCHASE REPORT are estimates and are intended to provide only general notice of USDA purchasing plans. Those plans are subject to change. Actual purchases will depend upon prices and quantities offered as well as possible adjustments in user requirements.

Invitations to bid, including final details and specifications, will be sent to processors. Offers to sell these products must be received not later than the date specified on the Invitation to Bid. **All bids must be submitted using the Domestic Electronic Bid Entry System (DEBES). Offerors who submit bids using other than DEBES, will be deemed non-responsive.**

Further information can be obtained from the Commodity Procurement Branch, Fruit and Vegetable Programs, Agricultural Marketing Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture, 1400 Independence Ave. Room 1406 - South Building, Washington, D.C. 20250, telephone (202) 720-4517 or our Internet Site: www.ams.usda.gov/cp.